

THE ST. HELENS MIST

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TANKER ST. HELENS

of Reno Comes From
Loaded With Creosote—
Vessels in Port This
Loading Lumber.

of more than passing in
Helena and Columbia
dock of the St. Helens
company of the big tank
of Reno.

er carried creosote from
h. Scotland, and dis-
argo of 1,800,000 gallons
the local plant. A part
cargo was discharged at
the arrival of the City of
the regular semi-annual
e of a creosote tanker.
come here was the tank-
which arrived at the St.
at last January from Am-

ity, it might be remark-
Helena crosscutting plant
the growing industries of
and it bids fair to grow
time passes. It is one of
of its kind on the Pacific

th tankers the local har-
a scene of activity this
feet of lumber are being
submerged vessels from the
and an extra force of men
engaged in the loading.

the steamer Multnomah
a cargo of lumber for
trade, her destinations
Pedro and San Diego.

ay Putnam took on a big
lumber here the first of the
called Wednesday night.

San Myer left Thursday
with lumber and piling
and Rodolfo.

other vessels are still in
the wharf, and will be
and will sail probably
for the British Isles.

ama is destined to leave
heavily laden with a car-
for coastwise trade.

to San Pedro.

er Klamath is taking
of piling and lumber and
for San Francisco this eve-

other vessels are due in port
this week and the early
week. These vessels are
Daily Freeman and Daily

All will load with lum-

NOTABLE
GROWTH IN MIST

on, Editor Mist,
ons, Oregon.
Morton:

you would change my ad-
Spring Valley, Rocklons,
Y. The Mist has grown
ly since I began to take it

paper and shows the in-
of the west. St. Helens is
be an important place on
It is now four years since
and I would like to make

now in a campaign which
whether this nation
as it was handed down to
to whom men that ever ex-

guided us since its founda-
we cling to Washington's
address and the Constitu-
two greatest documents ever

by man, we shall be saved
the infernal isms gang in
Washington, D. C. We must
out and save this nation.

Truly yours,
G. N. HAUPTMAN.

Hauptman, who is a heavy
er in the St. Helens Lumber
and the various McCormick
used to visit St. Helens

quently and the Mist and
erous friends here would be
him again.

GE'S LEASE
DECLARED VOID

etina of the Warren grange
called for Saturday, Aug.
accept or reject the offer of

of the Warren Ware-
association for the lease of
now used by the grange.

is apparently nothing extra-
about this transaction, but
it reposes the little question

ber the grange shall indulge
best time so dear to the heart
younger set of dancing.

warehouse directors have can-
the grange's lease and offered
lease contingent upon the

that the hall will not be
er dancing by the grange.
means to be a division of opin-

The meeting is called to
final settlement of the mooted

ELICAN CLUB
MEETS SEPT. 3

Harding-Stanfield Republican
all hold its first regular meet-
the county court room Friday,

ST. HELENS RANKS AS 26TH OREGON CITY

Census Returns Show Columbia
County's Gain

Completed census figures for the
counties and cities of Oregon has
changed the rank of many cities in
Oregon, and St. Helens with its 2220
inhabitants ranks as the 26th city in
Oregon. Silverton barely nosed out
St. Helens for the 25th place the cen-
sus enumerator giving the Marion
county city 2251 inhabitants, just 31
more than St. Helens.

Seventeen counties showed a gain
of over 10 per cent. Curry comes
first with a gain of 48 per cent. The
population of Clatsop was increased
forty three per cent, and the rapid
growth and development of Klamath
county is indicated by an increase in
population of 33 per cent. Tillamook,
the county of "cheese and
trees," gained forty per cent.

Columbia county ranks fifth as to
gain in population. In 1910 the
population of the county was 10,580,
and the 1920 census gives the popu-
lation as 13,960, an increase of 31.9
per cent.

Clatskanie with an accredited
population of 1384, ranks as Oregon's
41st city, and Rainier, whose popu-
lation is given as 1287, ranks 44th in
the list of cities.

ROBERT JOHNSON PASSES AWAY

Robert B. Johnson, better known
to his friends as "Barney," died at
his home in this city Monday, Aug.
27, following an acute illness of about
four days.

Deceased had been engaged in
lumber working in this county for a
number of years and had been in fail-
ing health for some time. He was
born in Ohio August 15, 1869, hence
was a few days past the age of 51
years. He was unmarried and made
his home with his father.

The family came to this county
thirteen years ago and deceased
leaves to mourn his loss his father,
five brothers and three sisters. Two
brothers live in Michigan, and three
brothers, Henry of Deer Island, Wil-
liam of Yankton and Matthew of St.
Helens, reside in this county. The
sisters, Mrs. Joe Slinm and Mrs.
Claud Wagner of St. Helens and Mrs.
Boulby of Yankton.

The funeral services were con-
ducted from the Methodist church in
this city Wednesday afternoon, Rev.
W. M. Hisey officiating. The serv-
ices were conducted under the aus-
pices of the Odd Fellows lodge, of
which order deceased was an honored
member. Interment was in Odd
Fellows cemetery.

FISHING SEASON COMES TO CLOSE

The Spring fishing season came to
a close Wednesday noon and the
fishermen during the preceding few
days made good catches. Just be-
fore the season ended, a big run of
salmon entered the river and many
of them succeeded in eluding the
pursue seines and nets on the lower
river. E. I. Ballagh states that many
of his fishermen made catches from
500 pounds to 1000 pounds and when
the season closed, it appeared that
the run was just getting started.

Down at Astoria, the editor of the
Mist visited several canneries and
they were blocked with fish. The
catch there was better than in 1919
by at least 15 per cent and the salmon
pack this year will be larger than in
several years past.

The fall fishing season opens Sep-
tember 10th, but Mr. Ballagh has
not been advised by his company as
to whether they will accept fish dur-
ing that period.

PACKING PLANT A POSSIBILITY

A berry packing plant is one of
the possibilities in the way of new
industries for St. Helens and Colum-
bia county in the near future.

The report is current that residents
of this county, and more especially
those of Warren, are planning many
acres of loganberries in anticipation
of the erect of a plant capable of
handling 100 acres. Capital suffi-
cient for a plant to handle the out-
put to be built possibly at West St.
Helens is said to be practically as-
sured.

Judge Fullerton tells the Mist that
the Warren section is adapted to the
culture of loganberries and that more
acreage is being added each year. He
has no knowledge, however, of the
move said to be contemplated to build
a packing plant.

AGED RESIDENT CROSSES DIVIDE

Mrs. Catherine Ann Cox died at
her home in West St. Helens Friday,
August 20th, at the age of 76 years.
Deceased, with her husband, W.
M. Cox, had been a resident of this
county for the past fourteen years
and enjoyed the respect and high
esteem of a large circle of friends.
She had been in poor health for the
past five years, and the state of her
health together with advanced age,
made the visitation of the Grim
Reaper not altogether unexpected.

Deceased leaves to mourn her loss
a husband, one son, E. E. Cox, and a
daughter, Mrs. E. L. Morley, and a
sister in Wisconsin.

Funeral services were conducted
from the Free Methodist church in
West St. Helens by the Rev. Woods.
Burial was made in the Warren
cemetery.

County Clerk Hunt issued a mar-
riage license this week to John
Whittle of Portland and Miss Myrtle
Farmer of this county.

WAS A GOOD OLD BOAT, ONCE



And the moral is,—one shouldn't attempt to drive another fellow's car.

FIGHT LOOMS ON STREET ASSESSMENT

Property Owners Dissatisfied with
Assessment Made by Council on
Cowlitze and Casenau Street Im-
provement.

From what the Mist can learn it
seems very probable that there will
be a fight by the property owners
on the assessment the council has
levied for the Cowlitze-Casenau and
Nob Hill street improvement.

The property owners at the "far
end" of the improvement claim they
have been assessed just as much as
the property owners in the "near
end" of the improvement, and they
do not approve of such assessment.

Property owners on Oak street are
also dissatisfied as are property ow-
ers on Cowlitze street. The former
claim they should not be assessed
any considerable amount for the con-
crete pavement up the hill, while
the latter say that the pavement was
built for the benefit of residents on
the hill.

There is, also, considerable dis-
satisfaction at the road or street on
the hill. The large loose rocks are
beginning to work to the surface, and
as one resident of the locality ex-
pressed his sentiment "the road or
street reminds me of a county road
before the hard surface is put on it."

The Mist understands that a re-
monstrance will be filed with the
council though it is not thought such
will bear much weight inasmuch as
Councilman Dixon has expressed him-
self as being unalterably opposed
to making any change in the assess-
ments and the other councilmen, ap-
parently, concurring with him.

It has been hinted that the inter-
ested property owners will resort to
the courts to see that the provisions
of the charter which says property
"shall be assessed according to bene-
fits derived" is carried out by the
council in making the proper assess-
ment.

BODY FOUND IN RIVER AT KELSO

Last week the Mist reported the
drowning of a young man named
George H. Peddle, who was working
with a diking crew across the river.

The young man went for a swim
alone and was evidently taken with
cramps and sank before help could
reach him. Search was made for
the body but without avail. Tuesday
a nude body was found floating in
the river at Kelso and while no au-
thentic report has reached this of-
fice that the body found was that
of Peddle, the supposition is that
identification by those who know the
young man will so substantiate it.

OVERSEAS VETERAN WEDS FRENCH BRIDE

Last Tuesday at Vancouver, Wash.,
Frank A. Kocher of Clatskanie, an
overseas veteran of the U. S. army,
was married to Miss Claire Niess, a
young lady who came all the way
across the ocean and continent to wed
her soldier lover.

The bride is 20 years old and was
a resident of Paris, France, where
she first met Mr. Kocher, who was
then doing duty for Uncle Sam in a
khaki uniform.

NEW CHURCH GETS BIG DONATION

Frank L. Smith of Smithshire has
donated eleven hundred dollars to-
wards the new Catholic church. Mr.
and Mrs. Smith and their large fam-
ily belong to the local congregation.

A number of smaller donations,
un solicited, arose reported from
in and about St. Helens.

The work is progressing and the
church will be completed by about
the end of November.

COUNCIL TRANSACTS USUAL BUSINESS

Some Lively Debate on Nob Hill
Assessment, Resulting in Draw—
Business of More or Less Import-
ance Transacted.

At the meeting of the city council
Monday the Nob Hill improvement
came in for more or less discussion,
though the time for listening to ar-
guments pro and con on the subject
was not yet due.

Among reports the marshal in-
formed the council that he had con-
structed a fire hose house on the
Larabee property.

Councilman Wheeler reported that
a rank odor prevailed in the air in
various places in the city and he was
anxious to locate the source. One of
the spectators suggested that it might
be a stink-bag, and the possibility of
a clogged sewer was advanced. In
an effort to remedy the matter of the
odiferous odor the marshal was in-
structed to flush out the sewers.

Councilman Larabee suggested
that some action be taken toward
having the burned railroad station
removed, inasmuch as it was an eye-
sore to the public and a menace to
adjoining property. The suggestion
was also made that plans were under
way by the railway company to build
a new depot soon, hence nothing
more was done concerning the re-
moval of the burned building.

Dr. Flynn addressed the council
in the way of an objection to an old
truck blocking the street in West St.
Helens. Flynn proposed to remove
it on order of the council. It seem-
ed that the truck had occupied that
part of the street for several months.
The council passed an order directing
the recorder to notify the owner to re-
move it within ten days or it would
be removed at his expense.

The camping ground question was
brought before the council members
by Dr. Flynn. It appeared that no
lease of any definite time could be
secured, hence the matter had been
left to drag. As no agreement was
reached said question is still drag-
ing.

The bid of the Warren Construc-
tion company to pave the intersec-
tions of streets leading from Colum-
bia street to the highway was accept-
ed at \$1753.16.

The Warren people were also giv-
en the contract to pave the city's part
of Strand street. Work on this street
will be done partly on the cost plus
plan.

In the matter of a new resolution
covering the improvement of Wyeth
street, on motion of Dixon the new
resolution was rejected and the old
allowed to stand. It will be remem-
bered that Mr. Godfrey objected to
a part of some lots owned by him
being included in the former resolu-
tion. The council had a new one
drawn excluding this property and
later concluded to retain the lots in
the district in which improvements
are proposed.

The Nob Hill proposition came in
for a little acrimonious debate when
E. A. Rotger appeared before the
council in behalf of Miss George, who
has an assessment appraised at
\$1000 for the Nob Hill work. The
debate ended where it started, how-
ever, as the council was taking no
official action on these assessments
at Monday night's meeting.

FOREST BURNS IN NEHALEM

A. L. Morris was in town Tuesday
from Nehalem where he is superin-
tending the cleaning up of timber
company orchards. Mr. Morris re-
ports a forest fire burning on section
12, township 5, near Vernonia. The
fire is on the Fir Tree Lumber com-
pany's property and was in a fair
way Sunday to get beyond control.
Fifty men were put to work, how-
ever, and finally got the blaze under
subjection.

VACATION TIME HAS ITS ENDING

School Opens Next Monday in St.
Helens.

Vacation days are over for this
year—at least for the big and little
kiddlets who are garnering an educa-
tion. The city schools open for the
1920-21 term next Monday.

Superintendent Fullerton is anxious
that the opening day brings a large
attendance, so that all may be prop-
erly assigned and classified in their
classes at the beginning of the school
year.

The St. Helens schools are among
the most progressive in the state
and our new superintendent is start-
ing the new year with the declaration
that it is his intention to maintain the
high standard set by his predecessor,
and if possible improve the standard.
To do this he asks the co-operation
of the school patrons, the students
and the faculty. In this ambition
the Mist believes that Mr. Fullerton
will have hearty and whole-souled
support of all concerned, and that
when vacation time again comes
around the citizens of St. Helens can
have even a greater pride in the
high plane of education upon which
their schools rest.

SOME PICKUPS ABOUT TOWN

The Catholic Girl Scouts under
the leadership of Mrs. A. C. Tucker
went on an outing Wednesday to the
ranch of John Dowd above Yankton.
They will be absent for three days.

O. Enneberg of Mist was a visitor
in this city Tuesday on business at
the court house. Mr. Enneberg re-
ports the Mist section to be in a
flourishing condition, crops being
above the average.

The Methodist Ladies Aid Society
will hold their "silver tea" Thursday
afternoon, September 2d, at the home
of Mrs. Burcham, assisted by Mrs.
Ethel Miller and Mrs. Philip Carl-
son. Everybody cordially invited.

Harvey J. Duncan of Vernonia was
a business visitor in St. Helens Sat-
urday. Mr. Duncan, who is an ex-
postmaster of his home town, reports
considerable business activity and
building impetus in Vernonia and the
residents alert and wide-awake to the
upbuilding of their town.

C. R. Rotger will leave Saturday
or Sunday for California to bring
home his wife, who has been in the
southern state about four months for
the benefit of her health. While by
no means fully recovered Mrs. Rotger
has improved to the extent of being
able to make the trip home.

W. A. Hall, one of Clatskanie's
prominent citizens, was in the city
the first of the week en route east
to visit his old home in New York
state. It will be Mr. Hall's first visit
in twenty years to the old home,
where he still has some brothers and
a sister yet living. He will be absent
about four weeks.

The stork realizing that just at
the end of the fishing season, E. I.
Ballagh would be extremely busy,
waited until the close of the season
and then made delivery of a bounc-
ing baby girl at the Ballagh residence
at 11 o'clock Tuesday night. Friends
will be glad to know that mother and
daughter are getting along nicely.

The grand lodge officers of the
Odd Fellows lodge visited a joint
meeting of the Rainier and Clatskanie
lodges at Rainier Saturday night. The
first degree was conferred, speeches
were made and refreshments served.
Those who attended from St. Helens
were: W. J. Fullerton, J. R. McDon-
ald, Matt O'Connor, H. A. Holt and
Mr. Brown.

Judge Fullerton and Supt. Wilker-
son were in Portland the latter p-
Oaks to look over possible attrac-
tions for the county fair. They made
one selection now showing at the
Oaks, that of Cullins' dog and pon-
show. This is said to be an exceed-
ingly good show and will be one of
the free attractions at the county
fair.

A. B. Lake, president of the St.
Helens Harding-Stanfield club, was
in Portland Tuesday attending a
meeting of the republican club. Mr.
Lake came back with the spirit of
republican success this year. Stan-
field's popularity is gaining ground
and the signs portend his election to
succeed Chamberlain in the U. S.
senate.

W. P. Howell of St. Helens, general
organizer for the International Union
of Timberworkers, returned Monday
evening from a business visit to the
local unions in Silverton and Salem.
He will visit Vancouver, Wash., Fri-
day where there is a thriving local.
Mr. Howell reports a steadily in-
creasing membership in Oregon and
Washington, with California still in
the lead.

Tom White, who made the trip to
Illinois for the sheriff after "Slim"
Harris, is not wildly enthusiastic over
the pleasures encountered in travel-
ing on the trip. It was impossible
to get sleeping accommodations on the
return trip and as a consequence
himself and fellow traveler were
compelled to get their "forty winks o-
sleep" as best they could in a day
coach. Mr. White stopped at his old
home in Kansas and his visit was
saddened by finding that the spirit
of his aged mother had gone to its
reward the day before his arrival.

The death of his father preceded
that of his mother two weeks and
both were in advanced years at the
time of their deaths.

GUNSHOT WOUND RESULTS FATALLY

John Masten of This City Killed by
Accidental Discharge of Shot Gun

—Graduate of High School and
Well Known.

The news that passed from lip to
lip Friday morning of last week that
John Masten was dead brought a
shock to the many friends of that
young man. That he was in the full
vigor of his young manhood but an
hour before death claimed him, made
the appalling fact seem almost in-
credible.

His death was caused by the acci-
dental discharge of a shot gun which
he attempted to pull through a fence.
He started out from his home on
Bachelor Flat, accompanied by a
couple of his younger sisters, early
Friday morning with the intent to
do some hunting. The little party
came to the farm line fence and
crawled through and as near as the
little girls were able to tell, follow-



John Armstrong Masten

ing the tragedy, John pulled the gun
through the fence after him with the
fatal result chronicled. The charge
of shot entered his neck, severing the
jugular vein and he lived but a few
minutes following the accident.

Deceased was a son of Mr. and
Mrs. C. W. Masten and grew from
boyhood to manhood in Columbia
county. He was a graduate of St.
Helens high school and also of Colum-
bia university of Portland. Born
July 26, 1901, he was but a few
weeks past the age of 19 years.
Young Masten numbered his friends
by the score and he was a popular
favorite among the younger set of
this city. He was a young man of
exemplary habits, high moral char-
acter and above all a devoted son
and brother and in the loss of their
only son the parents have the deepest
sympathy of a host of friends.
Parents and six sisters survive him.

The funeral services were
conducted from St. Mary's academy Mon-
day morning, Aug. 23rd. Interment
was in Mt. Cavalry cemetery at Port-
land, the remains being accompanied
to their last resting place by many
sorrowing friends.

SAFETY COUNCIL ORGANIZER HERE

G. M. Aitken, representing the
National Safety Council, spent a
couple of days in St. Helens in the
interests of that organization.

The mission of the National Safety
council is to safeguard the work-
man, especially where he is employed
at work of a hazardous nature. Its
object is not only to secure better
working-conditions in mills and
factories, but to educate the workman
to safeguard himself. In many mills
where the council has introduced its
work and teachings the percentage
in the loss of life has been materially
reduced, and the mills have likewise
profited in reduced compensation
expenses.

Mr. Aitken had only words of praise
for the working conditions found in
the McCormick mills in this city. On
all the plants he has visited he has
found none better and he spoke in
very complimentary terms of the
management, and ideal arrangement
of the mills here in the safeguarding
of the lives of the employees.

Mr. Aitken addressed a meeting of
the 4-L's in the city hall Wednesday
evening.

AN AGREEABLE BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Hazen were
agreeably surprised at their home
in this city Friday evening, Aug.
24th, the occasion being Mrs. Hazen's
birthday.

Fifty members of the Rebekah's
lodge of Arleta, suburb of Portland,
joined a number of friends here and
proceeded to the Hazen home in
a delightful luncheon had
been prepared for the occasion and
a number of handsome and useful
gifts were presented to the little
lady hostess. Altogether the evening
was highly enjoyed by all.

Those present were: Mrs. Mc-
Queen, Mrs. DeShields, Mrs. Taylor,
Mrs. Perry, Mrs. Asmand, Mrs. Phil-
lips, Mrs. Weeks, Mrs. Anderson,
Mrs. Portland Sunday and spent a par-
tly, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Goodridge, Ona
Price and L. D. Weeks.

The light company has a force of
men engaged this week in setting new
poles along Columbia street.